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Board of Trustees Meeting June 10, 2003

Members Present

Kim Bonham, Jim Daily, Brett Stump, JC Zalog were in attendance. Several residents including Arno Wehr II, Kent Turner, Greg May-Cock, Ron Benson and others were in the audience.

The meeting opened at 7:00 PM with Ms. Bonham leading the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of May's meeting were read and approved (4-0).

Village Personnel Changes

Trustee Craig Page has resigned his board position. Kathy Issac has been hired as Village Superintendent replacing the resignations of Lewis Henderson and Joe Murphy. Trustee JC Zalog has been appointed and was

unanimously approved as treasurer. An offer was made to Terry Schweitzer to fill the new position of Police Chief. (He has declined the offer and a search continues.)

The Community Action and Development (CAAD) ordinance was read and approved (4-0). Kent Turner will head the committee. CAAD will have sub-committees for beautification, building, etc. Mr. Daily recommended that CAAD look into the possibility of having a *Village Days* event in September or October to bolster the image of Indian Point.

Accounts payables for May were approved (4-0).

Committee Reports

Police and Safety: The Board approved (4-0) a budget of \$30,000 for a fully equipped 4 wheel drive police vehicle. This vehicle will be used by our newly hired Police Chief.

Planning and Zoning: No June meeting.

Wastewater: Work with Stone Environmental is progressing. The Board approved (4-0) payment of \$9,577.62 for the recent work. A preliminary plan for Jake's Creek has been reviewed

Roads: Road work is complete. Table Rock Mowing has deducted \$100; which was paid to Ron Benson for mowing he performed on Village right of way.

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Roehrs Receives Plaque

Harold Roehrs, long-time village trustee and board chair, retired from public office holding a record that will be hard to beat. Harold attended every one of the 180 board meetings since the village was incorporated in 1989. Harold was presented with a plaque at a reception held in his honor on the May 13th trustees meeting.

An open letter to the people of Indian Point

Kim Bonham, Board of Trustees Chairwoman

I wanted to take a second to thank all the good folks of Indian Point for their overwhelming show of support and encouragement toward the totally new Village of Indian Point Board of Trustees.

We have our jobs cut out for us but we are ready to tackle any given task with consideration given to EVERYONE on the Point. Be it a resident OR business owner, it is our goal to bring prosperity and growth to our quaint little community and

aggressively pursue any and all options available to us to achieve those goals. There will be doubts about the capabilities of the current board and that is to be expected. However, I assure you all, we will strive to make Indian Point a village community we will all be proud to say we live in as well as set examples for other small municipalities to follow our lead.

There are plans for future community events to better open the doors to our

neighbors and surrounding communities that will hopefully bring us together in a community family atmosphere, working for the betterment of our neighbors and the image of Indian Point.

So, once again, **THANK YOU ONE AND ALL** for the positive feedback in our efforts to represent YOU!

-Kim

A New Look...

A New Name...

A New Attitude!

The goal of this publication, formerly titled "The Village News" is to better inform our residents, guests and the general public about events on the Village of Indian Point. It was recently brought to the trustees attention that in the past, the Village News has only been sent to a partial list of full time village residents. In addition to overlooked residents, several

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News Briefs...

April Election Results

Five candidates vied for the two open positions on the village board of trustees.

Jim Daily and Brett Stump were elected to two year terms. At the first meeting following the elections, the trustees elected Kim Bonham chair, Jim Daily vice chair and Craig Paige treasurer.

Meetings to be Recorded

In order to insure the accuracy of meeting minutes, the Board will now tape record all public meetings. The recordings will serve as backup for written meeting minutes and provide detailed information should the need arise. This policy has been reestablished after not being done for the last few years.

Village Audit Underway

The new board of trustees has commissioned a thorough audit of the village's financial records and expects to have the results soon.

Ordinances Reviewed

The trustees are currently reviewing our ordinances, codes, policies and staffing, looking for ways to improve them for the betterment of our residents and guests. This has already resulted in the hiring of a full time superintendent and the search for a professional police officer.

New Office Hours

Beginning July 1 office hours will be Monday through Thursday 8:30 until 4:30. Friday 8:30 to 3:30.

The office is located on the east side, lowest level of the south building, closest to Indian Point Road at Treehouse Condominiums.

Trustees Resign, Replacement Appointed

Incumbent trustees Bill Turner and Craig Paige both resigned from the board giving no reason for their resignations. At their board meeting on May 13, the trustees unanimously appointed JC Zalog to fill the remaining term of Bill Turner.

JC has been serving the village as a member of the Planning and Zoning committee. He is 39 years old and has lived in the Ozarks for over 20 years; the past 7 years as a resident of Indian Point. His wife, Rose Hoynacki, was born here and works as the Director of Classic and Marketing for Ozark Mountain Bank. JC studied Computer Science at Southwest Missouri State University and is employed as a Systems Analyst for Herschend

Family Entertainment Corporation (Formerly known as Silver Dollar City, Inc.). His extensive background in computers will serve him well in his new board responsibilities, as treasurer, and as editor of this newsletter. JC also serves on the board of the Ozark Mountain Nature Trails Association. In his spare time, he enjoys hiking, mountain biking, and is training for his private pilot's license.

The board has not yet named a replacement for Mr. Paige. If any resident of the village knows someone for consideration, please contact the office at 338-5599 or village@tri-lakes.net and request a background questionnaire to complete and return.

New Village Superintendent Hired

Following proper advertising for the position and applicant interviews, the Board announced at its June 10 meeting the hiring of Kathy Isaaks as the new full time village superintendent. She replaces Lou Henderson and Joe Murphy, both part time employees, who resigned recently.

Kathy has been coming to Indian Point over 30 years and now lives here full time. She brings extensive experience to her position. Most recently, she has worked in accounting and member services for

the Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors. Prior to that, she worked for Wyandotte County (Kansas City area) for 10 years. Her duties there included organizing the legislative and transportation departments, developing annual budgets, and preparing contracts and grants.

Kathy and the trustees will be working to reorganize office procedures to better serve our residents and the general public.

Welcome aboard Kathy!

Community Building Progress

The Village has purchased property on the southwest corner of Indian Point Road and John The Diver Trail for a new community building. The property is currently subject to a lease and the Village will take possession no later than Sept. 30. A citizen's group was formed in January to develop ideas for the possible

uses of this building. A committee has been appointed to take those recommendations and develop a site plan and building design ideas. Proposals and ideas will be reviewed by the trustees prior to having professionals begin actual design drawings. Public input is invited throughout this process.

Road Work Completed

Jim Daily, the new trustee responsible for the village roads, has hit the ground running. Jim is also the Co-Chairman for the trustees. This year's road patching and repairs have already been completed at a cost of \$26,700, well under the budgeted amount of \$30,000. Residents complimented the speed and quality with which the work was done.

Jim is also working with the people

who mow and pick up litter along our roads. That work is now more timely and of a satisfactory quality. Thank you Jim!

If you know of road work still needing attention, a right of way not being mowed and cleared of litter, or any part of the Village needing sprucing up, please contact the village office. The phone number and email address are listed on the front of this news letter.

Activities Coordinator Wanted

We need a volunteer to organize and coordinate activities and outings for our residents. This could be anything from pot luck dinners, card nights, and group trips to a local theatre or a NFL game.

If you have experience in this area or

would like to give it a try, please contact the village office.

As our community building becomes a reality next year, it is hoped the facilities can be used regularly for these and other types of events.

Recent Meeting Notes

Since the last Village News was written, the board has held 3 public meetings. The following is a brief summary of the minutes for these meetings.

May 13, 2003

Appointment and swearing of JC Zalog as new Trustee. Update on applicants for Marshall's position. Transfer of \$2,000 from General fund for Flags. Need for changes on bank signature card. Resignation of Lew Henderson from Administrators position. Discussion to form a building committee.

An executive sessions was held to discuss personnel matters.

April 28, 2003 Work Session

Planning and Zoning positions will be filled with Kim Bonham, Brett Stump, JC Zalog and one other. Wastewater will be filled with Jim

Daily, Craig Paige and Kevin McKoy. Security will be called *Police and Safety* and filled by Brett Stump, JC Zalog and Kevin McKoy. A full time police officer will be sought. The pros and cons of changing the village to a forth class city were discussed. Hiring of a full time administrator was discussed. Discussed combining functions of beautifications committee into a long range planning group. Many roads need repair; Mr. Daily stated the need for a long range road resurfacing plan.

April 15, 2003

Brett Stump and Jim Daily were sworn in as new Trustee members. Officers unanimously elected Kim Bonham chairperson, Jim Daily vice chairperson, and Craig Paige secretary/treasurer. The grader building is complete. Purchase of

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people who are away from their village homes for much of the year, who own second homes, or other property here have expressed interest in receiving village news as a way of keeping informed. If you fall into one of these categories and would like to be sent this newsletter regularly, please contact the office at 338-5599 or village@tri-lakes.net to be added to the list. In order to serve you faster and save the village the expense of printing and mailing, you may now opt to receive the newsletter via e-mail. The e-mail method is the most cost effective, most complete, most timely, and most accurate method of sending out the newsletter. Of course if you have no e-mail address, you can still receive the news through the regular mail.

We're also looking for writers who are willing to contribute short articles on current village events, our history, our people, our natural features, etc. If you're interested, please contact the office.

This promises to be an exciting year of change and improvement. The Trustees and staff want you to be fully informed about YOUR VILLAGE.

land for future community building is complete. No action was taken when Floyd Cooper presented a tentative plan and cost estimates for planting and lighting changes. A beautification project to design the community building was discussed. Three bills (63-65) became Ordinances unanimously. 03-1 is a minor subdivision for Golden Arrow/Gillen. 03-2 amends height restrictions. 03-3 is the final plat for Stillwaters building H. A financial audit is currently in progress.

Now that the Village newsletter is back as a monthly publication, more thorough meeting reports will be included in the future issues.

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We Want You!

Many residents freely give of their time and talents to serve on various village boards, commissions and committees. It is hoped more people will attend these meetings and become more involved in our community. With more participation, the village will be a more enjoyable and safer place to live and work! Please call the office if you can spare a few hours each month for the betterment of our village.

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Your Village Representatives

Trustees

Kim Bonham *Chair*
Jim Daily *Co-Chair*
JC Zalog *Treasurer*
Brett Stump
(Open)
Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month

Planning and Zoning

Greg Maycock *Chair*
Arno Wehr III *Co-Chair*
Kim Bonham*
JC Zalog*
Ron Benson
Meets the Thursday before Tuesday's Trustee meetings

Wastewater Advisory Commission

Greg Maycock *Chair*
Jim Daily* *Co-Chair*
Arno Wehr II
Kent Turner
Kevin McKoy
Meets 4th Thursday of the month.

*Note: * Denotes committee Trustee position*

Police and Safety

Brett Stump* *Chair*
JC Zalog*
Kevin McKoy
Meets as posted

Road Commission

Jim Daily* *Chair*
Ron Benson
Meets as posted

Community Action and Development

Kent Turner *Chair*
Jim Daily*
Bert Leman
Laura Daily
Meets as posted

All meetings begin at 7:00 PM in the community room of Treehouse Condominiums unless otherwise posted. Notices are posted on the door of the Village Office at 3 Treehouse Lane #11.

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Floor

Clarification was made that the Beautification committee will be a sub-committee of the CAAD committee.

To a residents inquiry Ms. Bonham stated the vacant trustee position would not be filled at this time.

Greg Maycock reviewed the possibility for Indian Point signage on and about the High Road.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

The preceding is a report of items discussed at the June 10, 2003 Trustee Meeting and is not the approved minutes of the meeting.